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bound by endogenous immunoglobulins to; and (b) an agent which kills or reduces the activity of the macrophages.

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3. (Amended) The method of [either of claims 1 or] claim 2, wherein the [portion] agent which binds to an Fc receptor binds at a site which is not bound by an endogenous immunoglobulin.

REMARKS

Claims 1-6 and 8-21 are pending in the instant application. Claim 7 has been withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to a non-elected species. Claims 22-25 have been canceled without prejudice to continued prosecution in one or more divisional applications.

Claim 1 has been amended to specify that the Fc receptor binding agent binds to an Fc receptor "at a site which is distinct from that bound by endogenous immunoglobulins." Support for this language is found, *e.g.*, at page 3, lines 23-25, of the specification. In addition, claim 3 has been amended to replace the term "portion" with "agent," so as to have proper antecedent basis and to no longer depend from claim 1. No new matter has been added to the application as a result of these amendments.

For the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the claims as will be pending following entry of the present amendments is attached hereto as Appendix A.

The specification has been amended to correct a typographical error noted by the Examiner.

The foregoing claim amendments and cancellations have been made solely for the purpose of expediting prosecution of the present application and should in no way be construed as an acquiescence to any of the Examiner's rejections in this or in any former Office Action issued in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of the present claims prior to amendments made herein in this application or in another subsequent application.

In view of the above claim amendments and the arguments set forth below, Applicant respectfully submit that the claims are now in condition for allowance.

Objection to the Specification

The Examiner has noted a typographical error in the specification. Accordingly, Applicants have amended the specification to correct this error thereby obviating this objection.